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The Future of Japan's Political Scene, Banking Industry and the End of its Zero Interest Rate Policy

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Overview of The Broadly Syndicated Loan Primary and Secondary Markets

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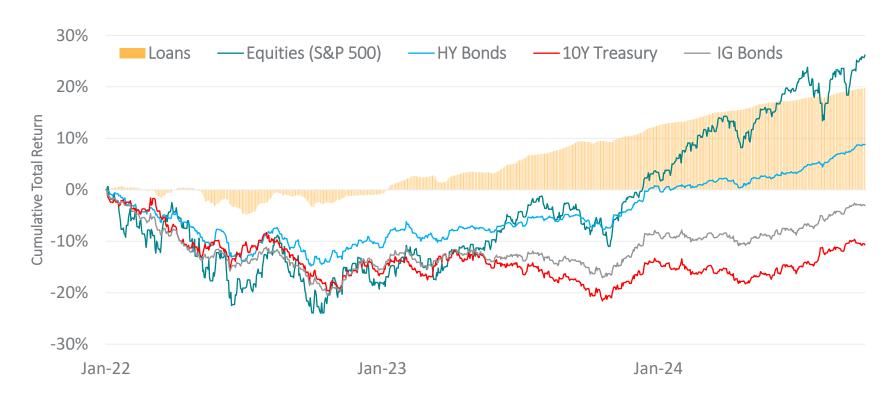
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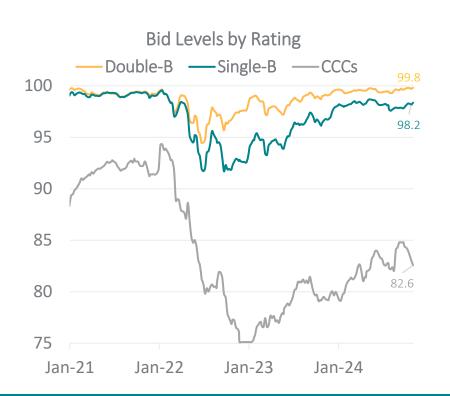
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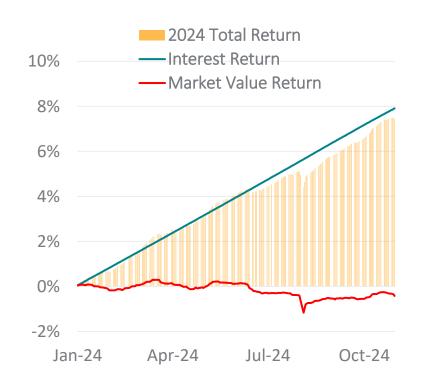
Carly Wilson, Managing Director, Portfolio Manager-Global Credit Platform, BlackRock

Since U.S. Interest Rates Began Rising in 2022, Floating Rate Loans Have Outperformed Fixed Income



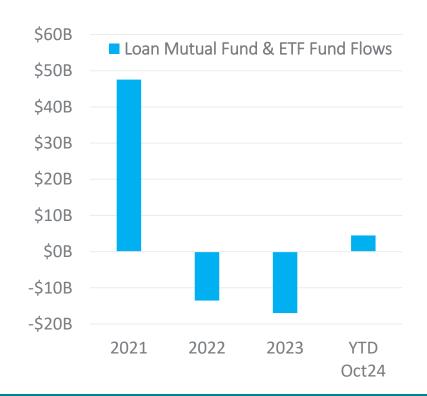
Average Secondary Bid Levels Stabilized in a 96-97 Range in 2024, as YTD Loan Returns Approach 8%





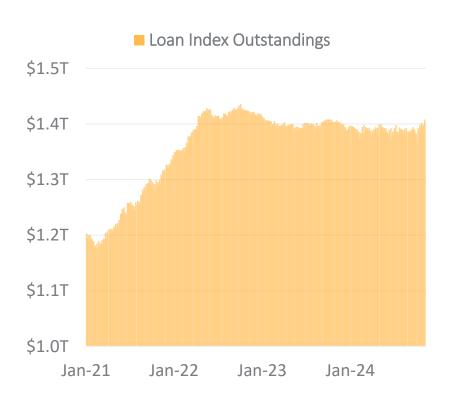
2024 CLO Activity Supported Strong Technical Conditions in the Loan Market

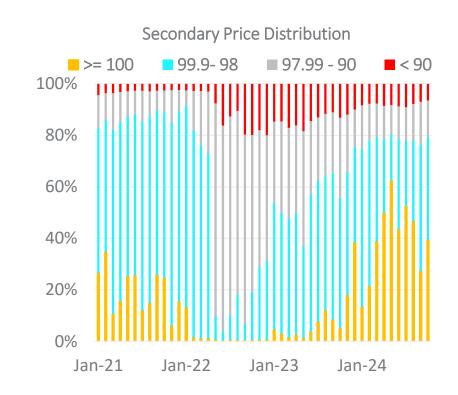




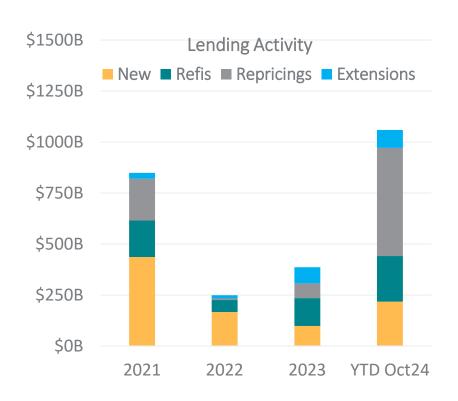
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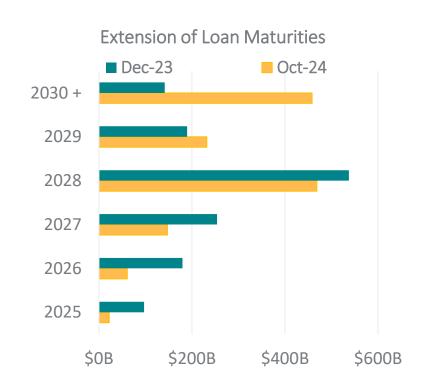
Limited Growth in Loan Outstandings and Stabilizing Fundamentals Led to an Increase in Loans Trading Above Par





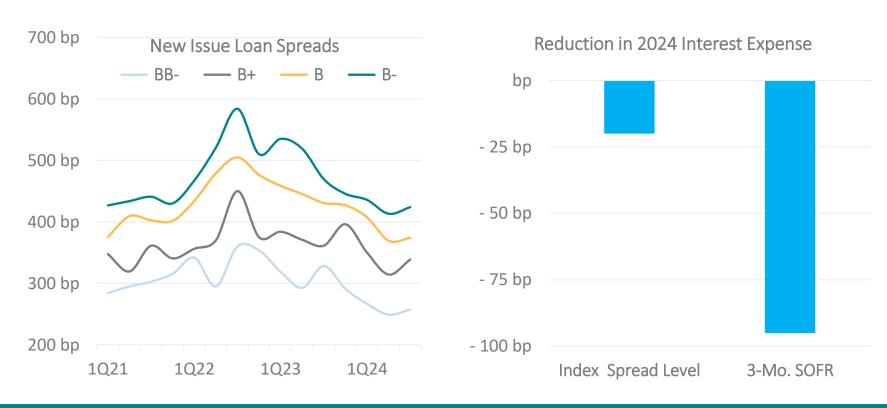
2024 Primary Market Lending Volume Has Surpassed a Record \$1T, Driven by Opportunistic Deal Activity



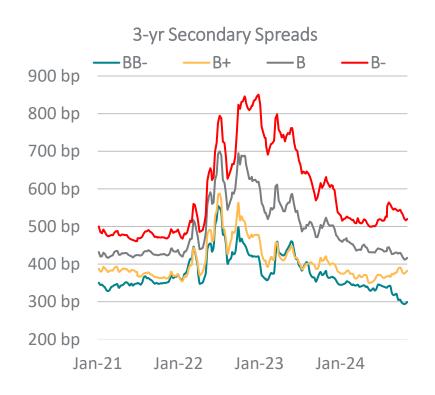


Source: Pitchbook | LCD

As Spreads and Interest Rates Normalize, Borrowers are Benefiting From Lower Interest Expense

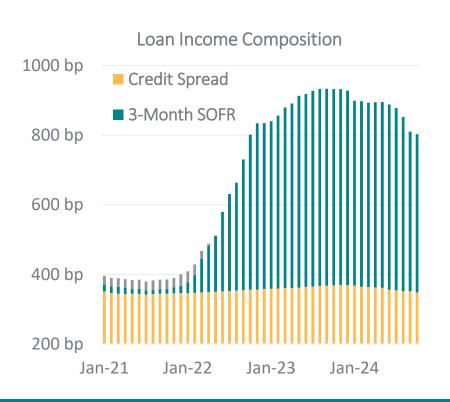


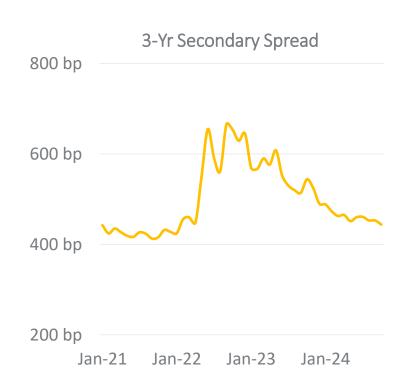
As Credit Spreads Tightened in the Secondary Market, Trading Activity Increased to a Near-Record \$818B in 2024



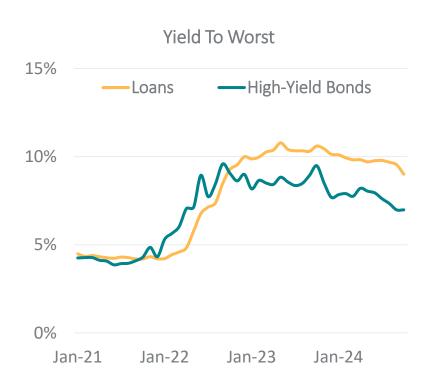


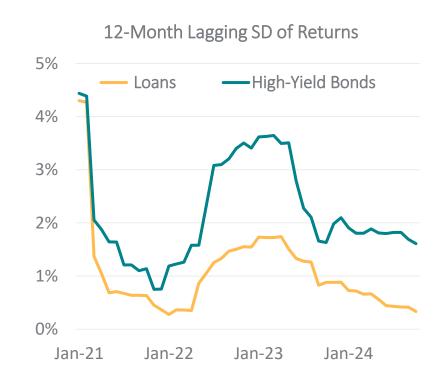
Loan Income and Secondary Spread Levels Are Projected to Remain Attractive and Above Their Historical Averages





Higher Starting Yields and Lower Volatility Will Continue to Separate Loans From Other Fixed Income Asset Classes





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The Credit Cycle and Outlooks for 2025

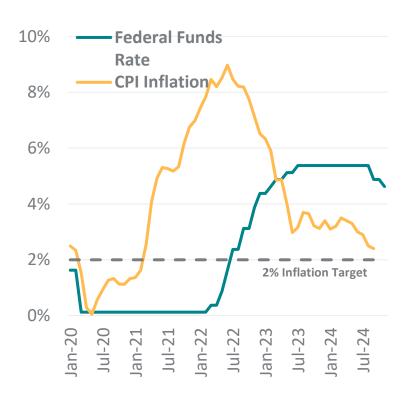
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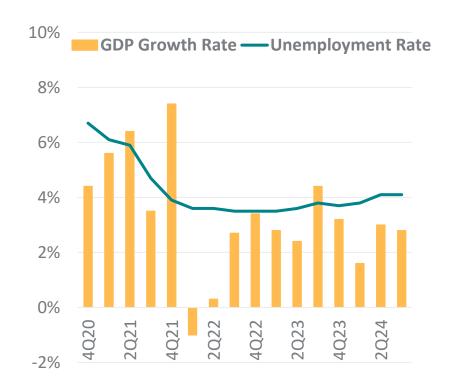
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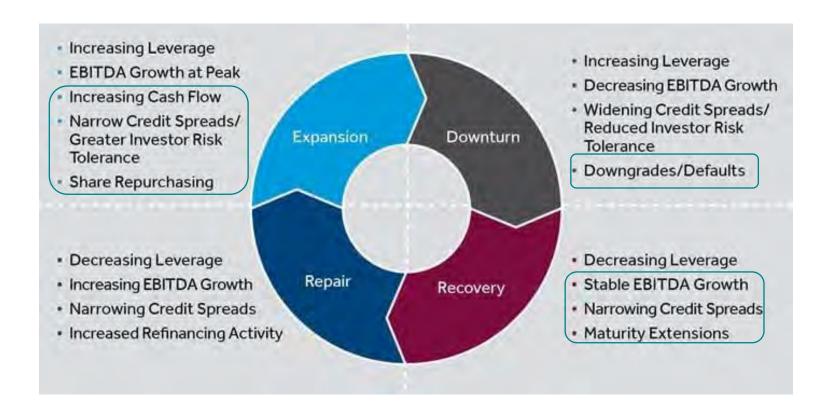
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A "Soft Landing"? Progress On Inflation Leads Fed to Cut Interest Rates

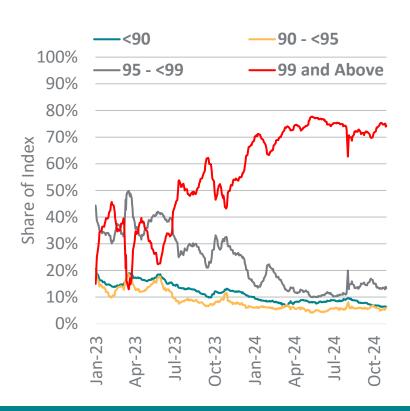


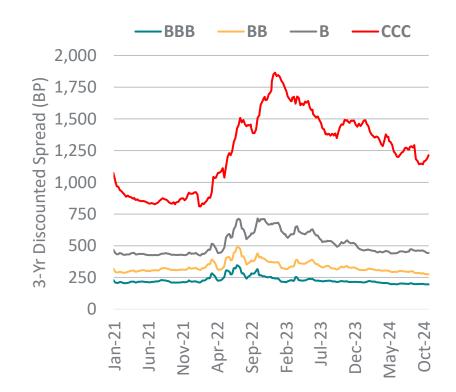


Where are we in the Credit Cycle?

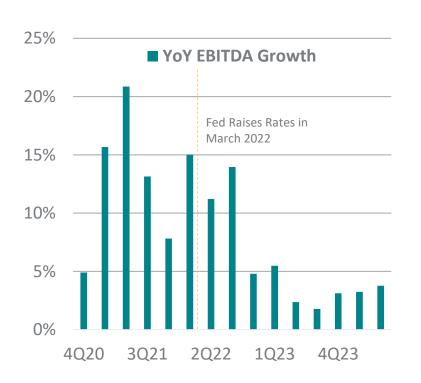


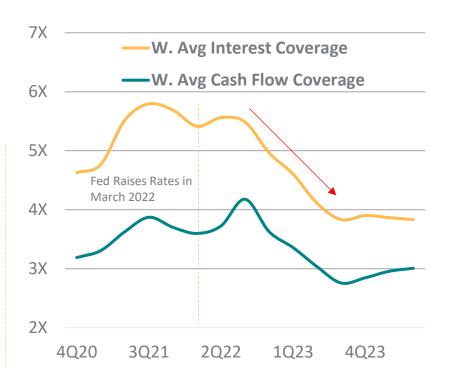
Strong Demand for BSL Leveraged Loans Have Driven Spreads Lower This Year



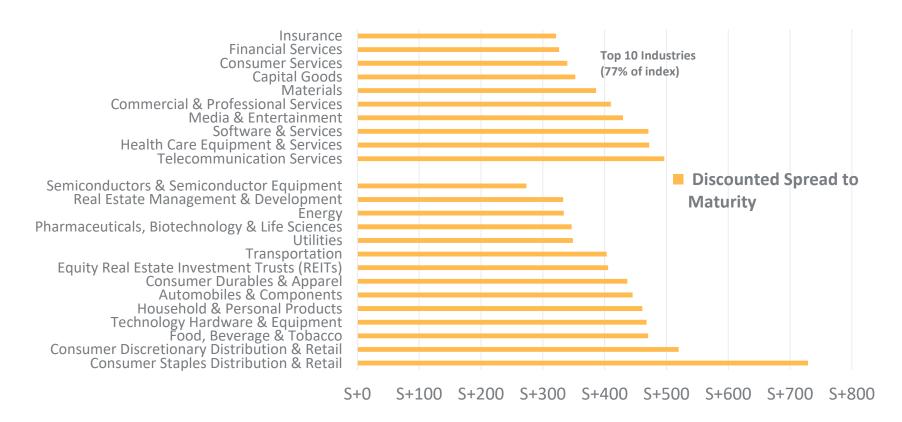


EBITDA and Coverage Ratios for BSL Leveraged Loans



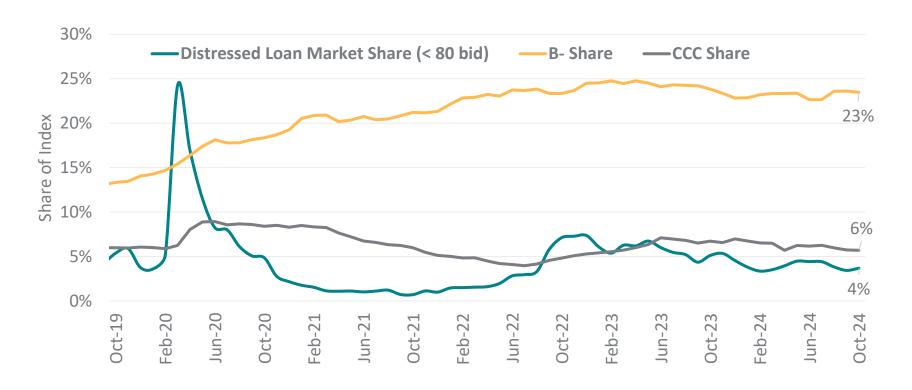


There is a Wide Dispersion Across Industries

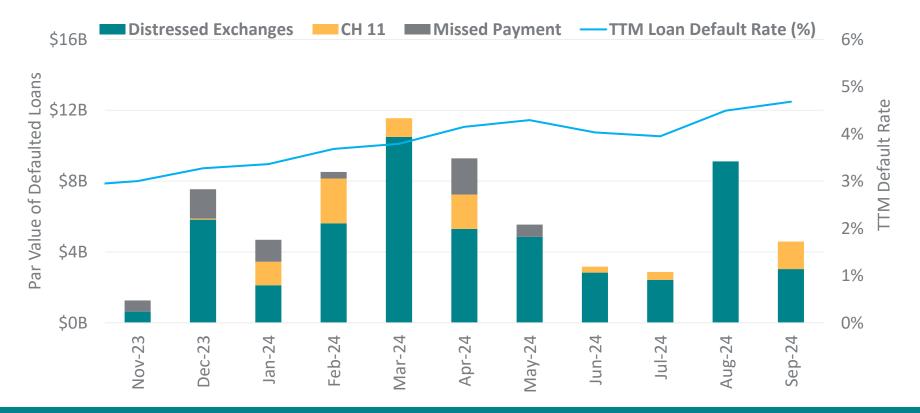


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While the Percentage of B- Rated Loans Has Increased, Stress Indicators Have Remained Flat This Year



Distressed Exchanges Make Up Around 75% of Default Activity Over the Last Twelve Months



Source: Fitch Ratings

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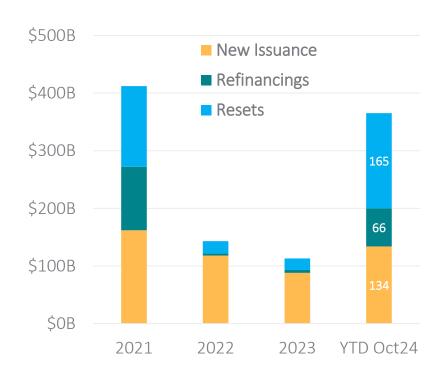
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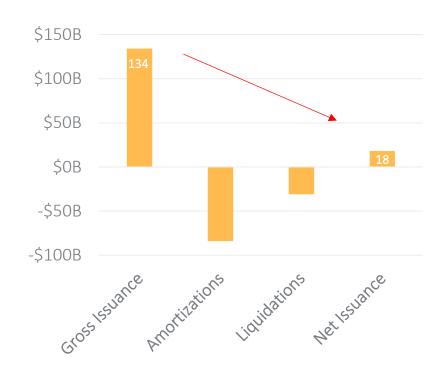
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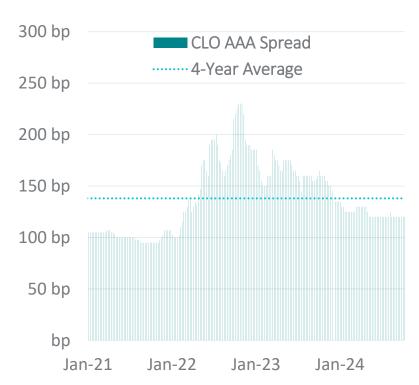
Broadly Syndicated Loan (BSL) CLO Activity Totaled \$365B, Including Resets and Refinancings



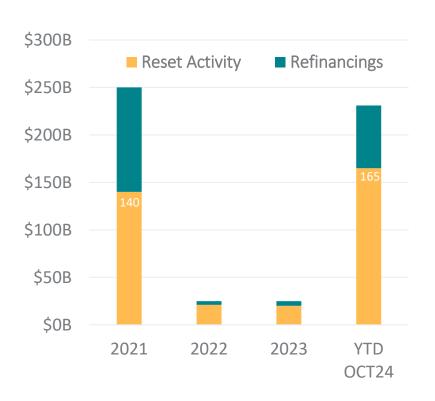


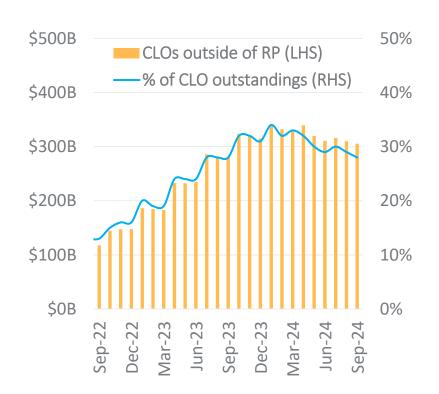
New BSL CLO Issuance has Tracked to the Second Busiest Year on Record at \$134B





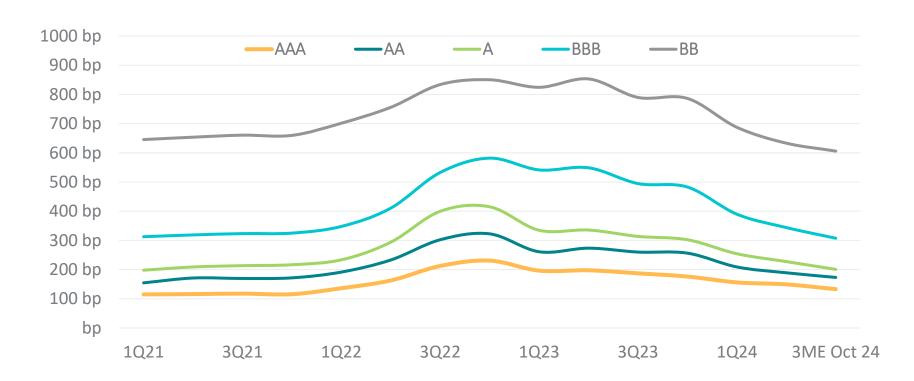
CLO Reset Activity Has Totaled a Record \$165B, Reducing the % of CLOs Outside Their Reinvestment Period (RP) to 28%



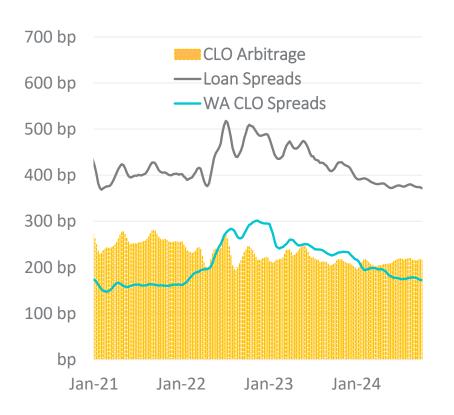


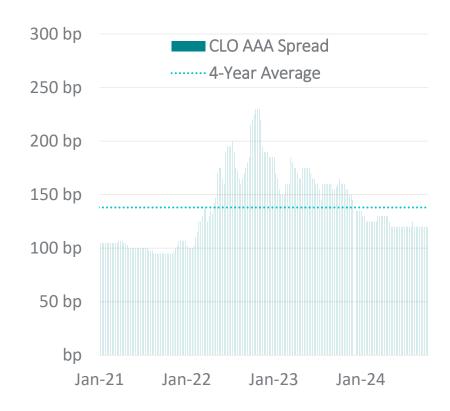
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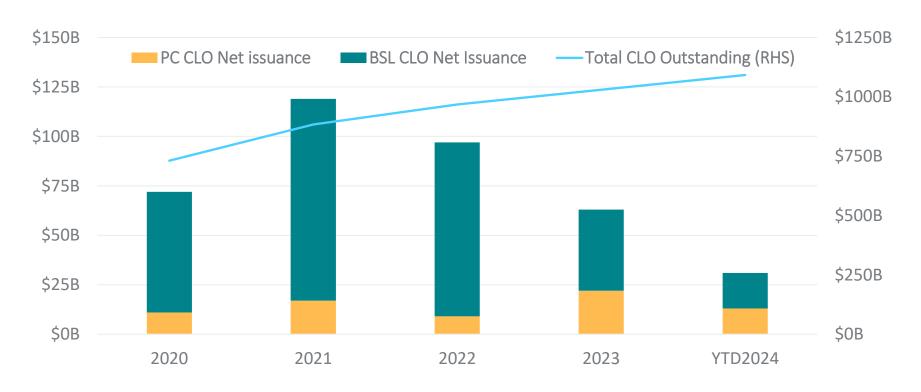


CLO Arbitrage Levels Have Remained Stable in 2024





Net BSL and PC (Private Credit) CLO Issuance Totaled \$31B in 2024, Increasing the Size of the Total CLO Market 3% to \$1.1T



Source: LPC, LSEG

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Managing CLOs in a Volatile World

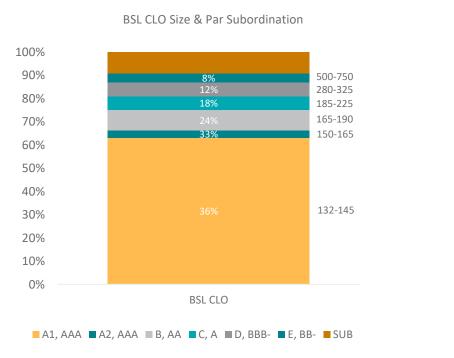
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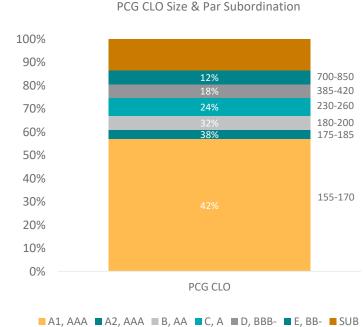
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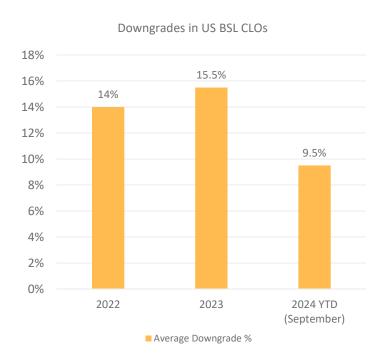
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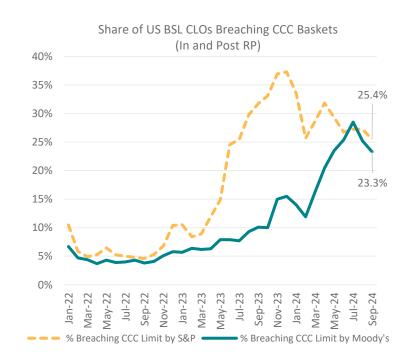




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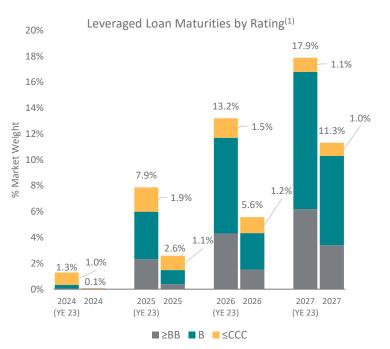
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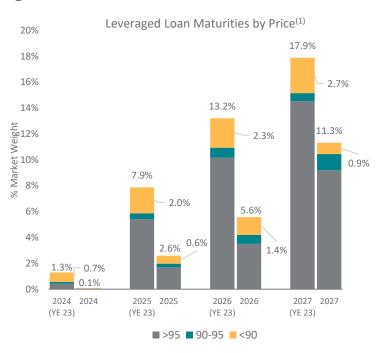




Leveraged Loan Maturity Schedule

Share of Market by Rating and Price



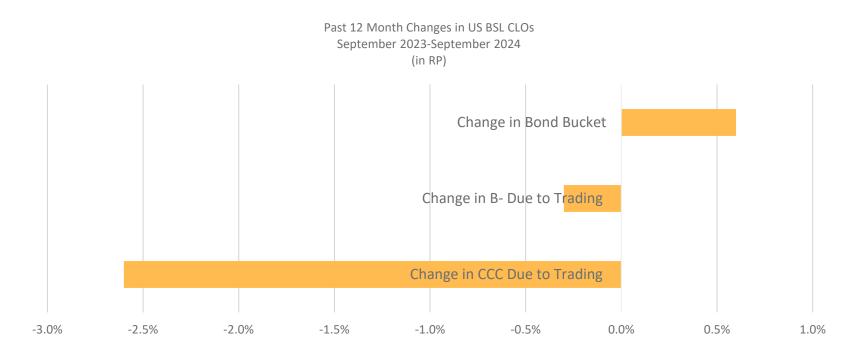


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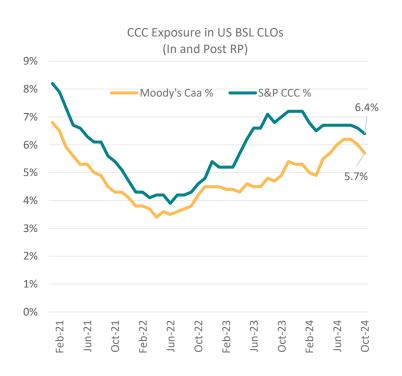
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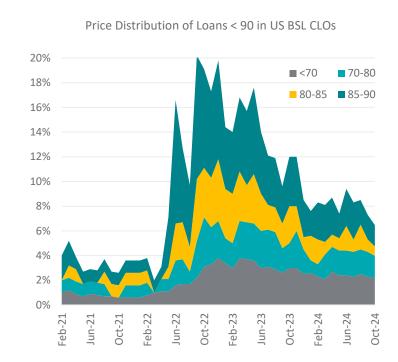
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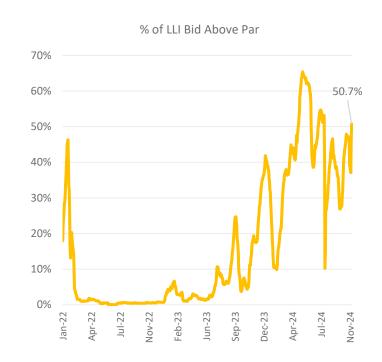
Is Tail Risk in US BSL CLOs Decreasing?





The Post-Reinvestment Period Dilemma: Refinancings and Par-Plus Loans





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General Market and Credit Risks of Debt Securities. Debt portfolios are subject to credit and interest rate risk. "Credit risk" refers to the likelihood that an issuer will default in the payment of principal and/or interest on an instrument. Financial strength and solvency of an issuer are the primary factors influencing credit risk.

Limited Amortization Requirements. From time to time, the Fund will invest in debt that will typically have limited mandatory amortization and interim repayment requirements. A low level of amortization of any debt, over the life of the investment, will increase the risk that a portfolio company will not be able to repay or refinance the debt held by the Fund when it comes due at its final stated maturity.

High Yield Debt. From time to time, the Fund will invest in high yield debt, a substantial portion of which is rated below investment-grade by one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations or are unrated but, in the adviser's opinion, of comparable credit quality to obligations rated below investment-grade, and have greater credit and liquidity risk than more highly rated debt obligations. High yield debt is generally unsecured and is often subordinate to other obligations of the obligations.

Financially Troubled Companies. From time to time, the Fund invests in the obligations of companies that are financially troubled and that are either engaged in a reorganization or expect to file for bankruptcy. Investments in financially troubled companies involve significantly greater risk than investments in non-troubled companies, and the repayment of obligations of financially troubled companies is subject to significant uncertainties.

Bank Loans. The investments of the Fund at times include interests in loans originated by banks and other financial institutions. The loans invested in by the Fund may include term loans and revolving loans, may pay interest at a fixed or floating rate and may be senior or subordinated

Priority of Repayment for Certain Investments. The characterization of the Fund's investments as senior debt or senior secured debt does not mean that such debt will necessarily be repaid in priority to all other obligations of the businesses in which the Fund invests. Furthermore, debt and other liabilities incurred by non-guarantor subsidiaries of the borrowers of senior secured loans made by the Fund are often structurally senior to the debt held by the Fund. In the event of insolvency, liquidation, dissolution, reorganization or bankruptcy of a portfolio company, the debt and other liabilities of such subsidiaries will generally be repaid in full before any distribution can be made to an obligor of the senior secured loans held by the Fund.

Risks of Secured Loans. Fund have in the past and may in the future invest in secured loans that are over-collateralized at the time of the investment, but such secured loans nonetheless may be exposed to losses resulting from default and foreclosure. Therefore, the value of the underlying collateral, the creditworthiness of the borrower and the priority of the lien are each of great importance.

Distressed Investments. The Fund is also generally authorized to invest in the securities and obligations of distressed and bankrupt issuers, including debt obligations that are in covenant or payment default. Such investments generally are considered speculative. The repayment of defaulted obligations is subject to significant uncertainties. Defaulted obligations might be repaid, if at all, only after lengthy workout or bankruptcy proceedings, during which the issuer might not make any interest or other payments and the amount of any recovery is typically affected by the relative seniority of the Fund's investment in the capital structure of the issuer. In addition, distressed investments are more likely to be challenged as fraudulent conveyances and amounts paid on those investments will be subject to avoidance as a preference under certain circumstances.

Structured Products. The adviser has in the past and will in the future cause the Fund to invest in structured products, including assets typically referred to as "CLO debt" and "CLO equity." These investments will typically consist of equity or subordinated debt securities issued by a private investment fund that invests, on a leveraged basis, in the bank loan, high yield debt or other asset groups. The Fund's investments in structured products will be leveraged. Utilization of leverage is a speculative investment technique and will generally magnify the opportunities for gain and risk of loss borne by an investor in the equity or subordinated debt securities issued by a structured product.

Mezzanine Debt. The mezzanine investments in which the Fund intends to invest are typically contractually or structurally subordinated to senior indebtedness of the applicable company, or effectively subordinated as a result of being unsecured debt and therefore subject to the prior repayment of secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets pledged as security. In some cases, the subordinated debt held by the Fund will be subject to the prior repayment of difficulty on the part of a portfolio company, such class or classes of senior indebtedness ranking prior to the debt held by the Fund, and interest thereon and related expenses, must first be repaid in full before any recovery will be had on the Fund's mezzanine or other subordinated investment. Subordinated investments are characterized by greater credit risks than those associated with the senior or senior secured obligations of the same Issuer.

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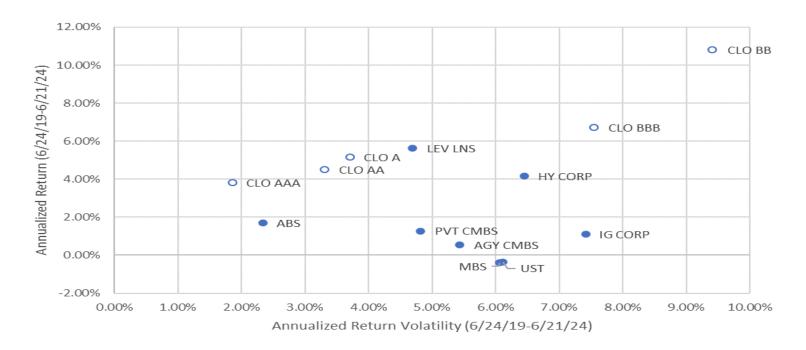
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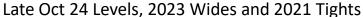
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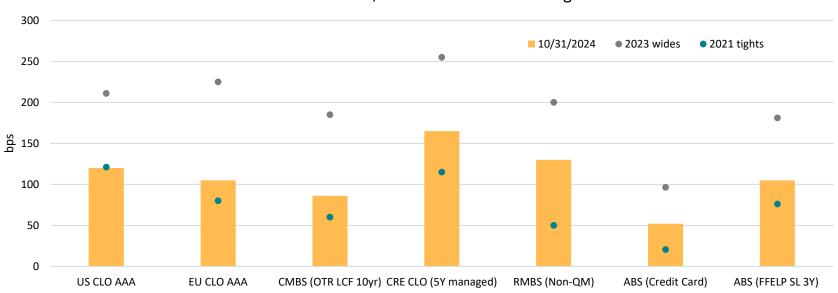
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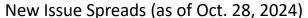
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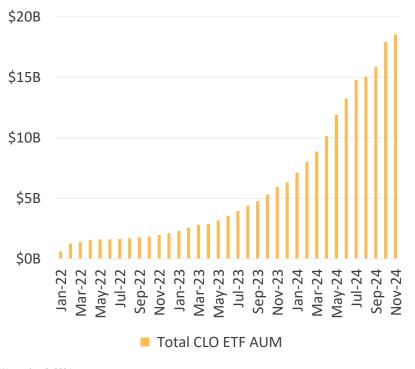


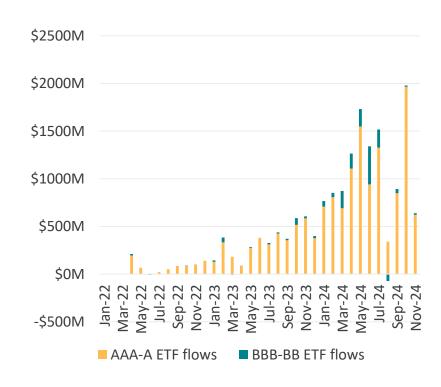
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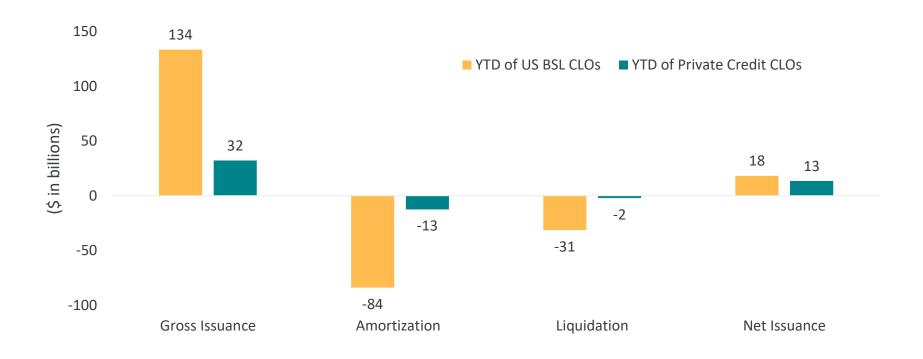




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